STATE OF ILLINOIS ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

THE ILLINOIS POWER AGENCY)	
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Petition for Certificate of Public Convenience)	Docket Number 12-0598
and Necessity for Ameren Transmission Co.)	
of Illinois Pursuant to Section 8-406.1 of)	
of the Illinois Public Utilities Act, to construct)	
operate and maintain a new high voltage)	
electric service line and related facilities)	

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE OF CLARK COUNTY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

NOW COMES Clark County Preservation Committee petition to intervene and be made an active party in the above captioned proceeding, pursuant to the Rules of Practice of the Illinois Commerce Commission, 83 ILL. Adm Code &200.200. In support thereof, Clark County Preservation Committee (hereafter CCPC) states as follows:

- 1. Ameren Transmission proposes to build a 345,000-volt transmission line across Illinois from Palmyra, MO, to Sugar Creek, IN. The total project is approximately 330 miles in length, including a 41-mile line between Meredosia and Ipava and a 28-mile long line linking the Rising and Sidney substations in the Champaign area. http://www.ilriverstransmission.com/need ●
- 2. The company cites reliability improvements, the growing demand for electricity, access to renewable energy, and enhancement of market efficiency in support of the transmission line project.
- 3. CCPC is a not-for-profit collaborative organization formed to preserve the quality of life in rural Clark County. Our members are residents and registered voters in the City of Marshall and Clark County. The proposed transmission line will dramatically reduce the quality of life, property values and increase health risks for residents of Clark County living in close proximity to the high voltage lines.
- 4. It is likely that the Commissions decisions regarding Ameren's petition will affect the property values, health and quality of life of the members of CCPC. The primary route proposed by Ameren passes near to many rural residences and subdivisions, it cuts through a Christmas tree farm and a rock quarry that will cost the owners millions of dollars of future business. It passes near a radio transmission tower that will cause the demise of that local business. It will disrupt and dislocate other agricultural businesses along the proposed route.

- 5. It is the committee's position that there are alternate routes that are less disruptive to the quality of life and have less impact on local businesses than the primary route proposed by Ameren and will bring testimony to the commission to demonstrate that alternative routes are more feasible, less costly and more practicable and beg the commission to consider the route be adjusted to be adjacent to existing transportation rights of way to avoid residences and businesses in Clark County.
- 6. CCPC agrees to accept the status of the record as it exists at the time of the filing of this Petition and to accept service by electronic means as provided for in Section 200.1050 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (83 Ill Adm. Code &200.1050). For the purpose of receiving service in the proceeding. CCPC requests that the following persons be placed on the official service list:

J. T. (Ted) Snedeker Chairman Clark County Preservation Committee PO Box 177 Marshall, IL 62441 (217) 826 6346 tedsned@digcomsrv.com

VERIFICATION

STATE OF ILLINOIS)	
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COUNTY OF CLARK)	

I Johnie T. Snedeker, being duly sworn, herby states that: (a) I am the Co-Chairman of the Clark County Preservation committee acting on their behalf, (b) I am authorized by the members of that committee to make this verification on their behalf, (c) I have knowledge of the facts stated in the foregoing Petition; and (d) the facts as stated are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Johnie T. Snedeker

Subscribed and Sworn to Before me this 26th day of November 2012.

Notary Public

My commission expires: 4-10-2015

OFFICIAL SEAL
BRENDA J ELLINGTON
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF ILLINOIS
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:04/10/15